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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 13 December 1965

25X1 [ ] of FMSAC gave a background briefing on the ChiCom missile program.

25X1 DD/I referred to a White House request for a memo on [ ]  
25X1 [ ] nuclear sharing. The memo is background for the  
25X1 forthcoming visit by [ ] DD/I said this would be  
25X1 given limited distribution to State and Defense officials. DCI sug-  
25X1 gested that [ ] be given a copy for Secretary McNamara.

DD/I noted completion of a memo on the progress and short-  
comings in the Dominican Republic. This was done jointly between  
DDP/WH and OCI and incorporates [ ] views. (See Action 1) 25X1

DD/I noted an NPIC report on new equipment being employed at  
NPIC. The equipment includes high performance stereo viewers.

DD/I noted continuing NSA reporting in the current intelligence  
field. This led to a discussion of the analysis and reporting effort  
at NSA. DCI said that on balance he thought this NSA work was worth-  
while but needs to be kept under continuous study. He said he may  
discuss this subject with General Carter. (See Action 2)

R. J. Smith briefed on the Indonesian situation. It begins to  
appear that the Army is showing sufficient initiative to best Sukarno  
in the current confrontation. [ ] effective Army work in  
diminishing the capabilities of the [ ] 25X1

Kent reported on the status of the SNIE on Vietnam passed by USIB  
on 10 December. There was a good deal of weekend work in arranging  
the footnotes of dissent. The SNIE was disseminated on 11 December.  
Kent reported that two annexes to this SNIE will be before USIB this  
week, one on casualties and the other on Cambodia as a Communist  
supply base.

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At DCI inquiry doSilva reported that there is nothing significant on the [ ] tests.

DD/S&T reported that his scheduled visit to [ ] with Alexis Johnson last week had been washed out by poor weather. He noted that he had visited a [ ] company which is working on learning machines. (See Action 3)

DD/S&T reported on last week's CORONA failure due to faulty gas supply. Both packages were recovered. Exploitable film will be at a minimum. The next scheduled CORONA launch is 17 December. There was a discussion of current problems in the [ ] program.

DD/S&T reported that the third and last R&D briefing by the military will be given here tomorrow by the Navy. DD/S&T will take a reading of available seating within the briefing room and will notify each Deputy Director as to the number of Agency officers that can be accommodated. (See Action 4)

DCI asked about and was given answers on the status of various items as follows: (a) DD/P has completed a memo on plans to undertake [ ]

(b) Having received an Agency assessment of the Wiesner committee study on nuclear proliferation, DCI intends to invite Dr. Hornig to the Agency for a lunch to discuss this subject; (c) DD/S&T has in the works a memo dealing with intelligence requirements from military R&D components; (d) Kent has in the works a memo assessing ChiCom estimates of likely U. S. courses of action in the event of Chinese intervention in Vietnam; (e) Arrangements are being made to provide the DD/I with additional slots for China analysts; (f) DD/S&T has completed letters for the DCI's signature pertaining to the establishment

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of a panel of nuclear experts to provide advice to the Agency. The next panel to be established will deal with electronics. DD/I has forwarded a memo dealing with the projected use of social science consultants.

ACTIONS:

1. DD/I is to prepare a covering note for DCI's signature and a list of recommended recipients in connection with dissemination of the memo on [redacted]. (DD/I - In the course of the day)

2. D/DCI/NIPE is requested to examine and keep under review NSA's current intelligence efforts and to look into the cost of this as compared with its usefulness to the Community. (NIPE - Status report by 17 January)

3. DD/S&T and DD/S are requested to collaborate in arranging to keep the Agency abreast of work being done in the fields of learning machines and teaching machines. (Status report by 1 February)

4. DCI requests that each Deputy Director ensure that those named to attend the Navy R&D briefing tomorrow actually appear and remain throughout the briefings.

5. Looking ahead to his meeting with the Director of the Bureau of the Budget on 15 December, DCI requested preparation of a "short, punchy, factual" statement for his use in arguing for Agency money and manpower requests. The paper should emphasize the savings we have accomplished and the programs we have cut back. It is to include the NPIC case and is to show the number of people seconded to other agencies at their request on a nonreimbursable basis. (ExDir)

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